

## **Composition for the Dyeing of Human Hair**

The present invention concerns a composition for the dyeing of human hair on the basis of an oxidation dyestuff precursor system reacting with peroxide which provides long-lasting, intensive colors either used as such, or which can be used to obtain further shades in combination with additional developing and/or coupling agents and which does not damage the hair even upon repeated application within short intervals.

The developing substances still most frequently used in hair dyeing compositions are 1,4-diaminobenzene (p-phenylenediamine) and 1-methyl-2,5-diaminobenzene (p-toluylenediamine). Although incorporation of these substances largely fulfills the user's color wishes, there are still shades that cannot be completely achieved by the use thereof.

Proposals have also been made to close this gap by the use of alternative developing substances. To a limited degree this is possible with the use of tetraaminopyrimidine or 2-(2,5-diaminophenyl)ethanol (see EP-B 400 330); however, it is then necessary to accept reduced color intensity in other shades.

A further satisfactory solution of this problem is disclosed in EP-A 615 743, with the use of 2-(2'-hydroxyethyl amino)-5-aminotoluene or the water-soluble salts thereof, and 3,4-diamino-5-hydroxypyrazole as components of oxidation hair dye compositions.

However, to the present it has not been possible to achieve strong colorations in the range of copper-red, violet and brown-violet by this means.

The invention starts from the task of counteracting this deficiency and providing an oxidation dyestuff composition which achieves intensive, glossy colorations, especially in the range of copper-red, violet and brown-violet, and which leaves the hair without damage even upon repeated application within short periods of time.

This task is solved when such a hair dyeing composition comprises an oxidation dyestuff system reacting with peroxide which is selected from a) 3-chloro-p-aminophenol, b) 2-methyl-5-γ-hydroxypropyl-aminophenol, 2-methyl-5-methylaminophenol, 2-methyl-5-ethyl aminophenol, 2-methoxy-5-aminophenol, 2-methyl-4-methoxy-5-aminophenol, and/or 2-methyl-4-methoxy-5-hydroxyethyl aminophenol, and c) 2-(diethyl amino methyl)-p-aminophenol, and/or 2,6-dichloro-p-aminophenol or the water-soluble salts thereof.

After oxidation with peroxide, use of these compositions on the basis of a customary carrier provides very expressive, intensive, long-lasting hair colorations, especially in the range of brown, violet and brown-violet, which can be varied to achieve further shades by the addition of the respective further developing and coupling substances.

In addition to the named developing and coupling substances it is also possible to incorporate further substances of this type.

These are, for example, 1-methoxy-2-amino-4-(β-hydroxyethyl amino)benzene, 2-amino-3-hydroxypyridine, 3-amino-2-methylamino-6-methoxypyridine, resorcinol, 2-methyl resorcinol, 4-chlororesorcinol, 2-amino-4-chlorophenol, 1,3-diaminobenzene, 1,6-dihydroxynaphthalene, 1,7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2-aminophenol, 3-amino-phenol, p-phenylenediamine, p-toluylenediamine, 2,6-dimethyl-p-phenylenediamine.

The total concentration of the developing substances customarily ranges between about 0.05 % and 5 %, preferably 0.1 % and 4 %, in particular 0.25 % to 3 % by weight, calculated to the total hair dyeing composition (excluding the oxidizing agent), whereby these figures are always related to the proportion of free base. The preferred weight proportion of the developing substances to the coupling substances ranges between about 1 : 8 to 8 : 1, preferably about 1 : 5 to 5 : 1, in particular 1 : 2 to 2 : 1.

In the hair dyeing compositions according to the invention, the coupling substance(s) as reaction partners of the developing substance(s) are present in approximately the same molecular proportions as the developing substances, i.e. in amounts from 0.05 % to 5.0 %, preferably 0.1 % to 4 %, in particular 0.5 % to 3 % by weight, calculated to the total composition (excluding the oxidizing agent), whereby these figures are always related to the proportion of free base.

If desired, the compositions according to the invention can also contain so-called shading agents for precise adjustment of the desired shade, in particular direct-acting dyestuffs.

Such shading agents are, for example, nitro dyestuffs such as 2-amino-4,6-dinitrophenol, 2-amino-4-nitrophenol, 2-amino-6-chloro-4-nitrophenol, etc., preferably in amounts from about 0.05 % to 2.5 %, in particular 0.1 % to 1 % by weight of the dyestuff composition (excluding the oxidizing agent).

The hair dyeing compositions according to the invention can comprise the basic substances and additives customarily found in such compositions, conditioning agents, etc., known as state of the art and described, for example, in the monograph by K. Schrader, "Grundlagen und Rezepturen der Kosmetika", 2nd Ed. (Hüthig Buch Verlag, Heidelberg, 1989), pp. 782 to 815. They can be prepared as solutions, creams, gels or also in the form of aerosol products; suitable carrier material compositions are known as state of the art.

For application, the oxidation dyestuff precursor is mixed with an oxidizing agent. The preferred oxidizing agent is hydrogen peroxide, for example in a concentration of 2 % to 6 % by weight.

However, the use of other peroxides such as urea peroxide and melamine peroxide is also possible.

5 The pH-value of the ready-to-use hair dyeing composition, i.e. after mixing with peroxide, can be in a slightly acidic range, i.e. from 5.5 to 6.9, as well as in the neutral or alkaline range, i.e. between pH 7.1 and 10.

In the following, various Examples are used to illustrate the invention.

### Carrier

Stearyl alcohol	8.0 (% by wt.)
Coco fatty acid monoethanolamide	4.5
1,2-Propanediol mono/distearate	1.3
Coco fatty alcohol polyglycol ether	4.0
Sodium lauryl sulfate	1.0
Oleic acid	2.0
1,2-Propanediol	1.5
Na-EDTA	0.5
Sodium sulfite	1.0
Protein hydrolyzate	0.5
Ascorbic acid	0.2
Perfume	0.4
Ammonia, 25%	1.0
Ammonium chloride	0.5
Panthenol	0.8
Water	ad 100.00

The oxidation dyestuff combinations according to the invention were incorporated into this carrier, whereby the water content was reduced accordingly.

The colorations were carried out on wool patches and strands of bleached human hair by application of a 1:1 mixture of a dyestuff precursor and a 6 % hydrogen peroxide solution (pH-value of the mixture: 9.8) with twenty minutes processing at room temperature, subsequent rinsing and drying.

The following colorations were achieved:

**Example 1:**

0.405	(% by wt.)	3-Chloro-para-aminophenol HCl
0.156		2-Methoxy-5-aminophenol
0.300		2-(Diethyl amino methyl)-p-aminophenol.2HCl

Coloration: Intensive brown-orange

**Example 2:**

0.405	(% by wt.)	3-Chloro-para-aminophenol HCl
0.222		2-Methyl-4-methoxy-5-hydroxyethyl aminophenol
0.300		2-(Diethyl amino methyl)-p-aminophenol.2HCl

Coloration: red-orange

**Example 3:**

0.405	(% by wt.)	3-Chloro-para-aminophenol
0.156		2-Methoxy-5-aminophenol
0.200		2-(Diethyl amino methyl)-p-aminophenol.2HCl

Coloration: brown-gray

**Example 4:**

0.405	(% by wt.)	3-Chloro-para-aminophenol HCl
0.222		2-Methyl-4-methoxy-5-aminophenol
0.200		2,6-Dichloro-p-aminophenol

Coloration: gray-rubin